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„ DEPT APPRECIATES BEING ALERTED (REF A) TO CHARGES OF ALLEGED INSUFFICIENCY OF U.S. INTERNATIONAL AID IN POSTWAR PERIOD. WE UNDERSTAND U.S. EXBD MEMBER SULLIVAN'S NEED FOR SPECIFIC FACTS TO COUNTER SUCH SERIOUS AND WHOLLY UNFOUNDED CHARGES AND TRUST GUIDANCE PROVIDED DEPTELS WILL BE HELPFUL.

2. IN THIS CONNECTION, WE RECOGNIZE YOU ARE PRESENTLY WEIGH-
ING TACTICAL EFFECTIVENESS OF ALTERNATIVE MEANS OF COPING
WITH CHARGES THAT "US NOT DOING ITS JOB". THOUGHT OCCURS
TO US THAT INFORMAL ACTION OF PUTTING FACTS DIRECTLY TO
SELECTED MEMBERS MIGHT HAVE TACTICAL ADVANTAGE OVER CON-
FRONTATION IN FORMAL BOARD MEETING. OVERLY PUBLIC DIS-
PUTE COULD TEND TO DIGNIFY CHARGES OR GIVE APPEARANCE OF
U.S. RISING TO BAIT. ON LATTER POINT, WE SUSPECT CHARGES
MAY HAVE BEEN POLITICALLY MOTIVATED AND INTENTIONALLY PRO-
VOCATIVE SINCE RECORD OF AMERICAN GENEROSITY COMMONLY
ACCEPTED EVEN BY OUR DETRACTORS.

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3. YOU MAY ALSO WISH CONSIDER REACTING TO CHARGES MADE IN

EXECUTIVE BOARD BY FOCUSING ON IMPROPRIETY AND IRRELEVANCE OF SUCH CHARGES TO WORK OF BOARD. YOU COULD WARN THAT SUCH BLATANT AND CONTEMPTIBLE DISTORTIONS OF FACT, ALTHOUGH UNWORTHY OF SERIOUS CONSIDERATION, SERVE TO POLITICIZE THE BOARD'S DELIBERATIONS AND TO UNDERMINE RESPECT FOR UNESCO AND TO IMPAIR ITS ABILITY TO ACHIEVE ITS CONSTITUTIONAL GOALS.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE VIEWS RE OPTIONS, INCLUDING THOSE DISCUSSED ABOVE. SISCO

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